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## Editorial . . .

# N. A. E. Has Decade of Success

The tenth annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals is now history, not only on paper, but in the hearts and minds of all who were privileged to attend it. The convention was held in the Congress Hotel, April 15-18, within a short distance of the LaSalle Hotel where the constitutional convention met and the N. A. E. was launched upon its great and eventful career ten years ago. I shall never forget the demonstration of genuine Christian fellowship manifested in the prayer meeting which was the initial service of that convention. There, ministers and laymen of every rank and station of numerous denominations, prayed and wept, believed and waited on God for guidance in the stupendous undertaking of bringing into existence an organization that would be the voice and vehicle of the truly evangelicals throughout the world. It was not the intention to develop a super church after the fashion of the National Council of Churches. A constitution and declaration of faith was drafted that all truly evangelical denominations could accept, subscribe to, and cooperate with, without compromising their denominational position. Here is that declaration of faith:

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative word of God.
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The N. A. E.'s long arms of fraternal Christian fellowship have demonstrated the most unbiased, unprejudiced, and liberal attitude conceivable by receiving into its fellowship individuals, local churches, and denominations that are in the small and common brackets, as well as the scholars, great and wealthy churches, and denominations with large numbers and prestige. This being true, you will

not be surprised that in N. A. E.'s first decade, it has affiliated with it near 40 denominations, numerous local churches, and is serving a constituency of over 10 million. It is demonstrating the fruits of the Holy Spirit, through the following commissions: Evangelical Action, Evangelical Foreign Missions, International Relations, National Religious Broadcasters, National Sunday School Association, Women's Fellowship, Evangelical Youth, Evangelism, Laymen's Advisory Council, Home Missions, Christian Schools, Chaplaincy, World Relief, Christian Social Action, Education, International Cooperation. All of these commissions are well staffed and under the best and most able leadership. Every affiliated denomination, local church, and individual may be served through these agencies, and may, also, by these vehicles, convey their support wherever needed throughout the constituency and to those in need throughout the world.

Perhaps it will be of interest to you to know that our denomination is represented on the following boards and commissions:

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You will not have to stretch your imagination very much to realize how indispensable a number of these commissions are to the protection and promotion of the rights and privileges of all evangelicals. For instance, if it were not for the strong voice and prestige of the N. A. E. through the International Relations Commission and Foreign Missions Association, individual denominations would run up against problems that would be exceedingly embarrassing and would impede the progress of their work. The same is true as regards radio work. In fact, there are many evil forces which can be withstood and overcome only by united action such as we have in the N. A. E. This is proved, especially, in the great part the N. A. E. had in defeating the plan for Congress to send an ambassador

to the Vatican. Surely God has given us the N. A. E. for such a time as this.

The theme of the tenth convention was "By My Spirit," and to me it seemed that throughout the convention the very atmosphere was charged by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Other conventions have been great, but actually it seemed that this was the greatest yet. Of course, one might surmise that the reason for this attitude is because I am Pentecostal, and the theme of the convention was on the Holy Spirit. Yet, believe me when I say I believe that non-Pentecostals, as well as Pentecostals, are of the same opinion.

Following the convention theme, "By My Spirit," Zechariah 4:6, which reads, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts," the theme for Tuesday was "Praying in the Spirit." Dr. J. Paul Taylor, Bishop of the Free Methodist Church, spoke on "The Holy Spirit and Prayer" in the evening service. His was a great message, climaxed by a general season of prayer. The theme for Wednesday was "The Holy Spirit and the State"; scripture, "The things which are Caesar's . . . and the things which be God's." At 2:15 p. m., the decennial message on "Ten Years of the Spirit's Working in N. A. E." was delivered by Dr. Rutherford L. Decker, Executive Director of N. A. E. It was, indeed, informative and inspired our hearts to greater appreciation for N. A. E. The next message was by Rev. C. W. Denton, National Sunday School Representative, Assemblies of God, on the "The Holy Spirit and the Child"; scripture, "The streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls . . ."

At 4:30 p. m. came the preliminary report of Resolutions Committee under the scriptural heading, "It seemed good to us and to the Holy Ghost." At 8:15, Doctor Robert Cook, President of Youth for Christ, International, spoke on "Keep the World Open to the Spirit's Blessing." This was a challenging message. Doctor Frederick C. Fowler, President of the National Association of Evangelicals and Chairman of the Commission on Evangelical Action, gave the last evening message "Render unto Caesar . . . and unto God." This address, no doubt, will be run in the Evangel before long.

The theme for Thursday was "The Spirit in the World Through the Church"; scripture, "He that now hindereth will hinder." At 2:15, Doctor Kenneth S. Keyes, President of the Keyes Company, Realtors, Miami, Florida, delivered the message "The Spirit Working Through the Layman"; scripture, "Then the Spirit said unto Philip . . ." The next speaker was Dr. Leslie R. Marston, Chairman, World Relief Commission of N. A. E., on the subject "The Holy Spirit and Temporal Need"; scripture, "A cup of cold water . . . in my name." His message revealed that we had sent tons upon tons of clothing and food to destitute people throughout the world. Dr. Roy S. Hollomon, Superintendent of the Kansas United Dry Forces, was the next speaker, and his subject was "The Holy Spirit and National Reform"; scripture, "Be not

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# The Baptism of the Holy Spirit

By Rev. Hubert T. Spence

The present Pentecostal movement is basically a continuation of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on "the Day of Pentecost," as recorded in Acts 2:1-4.

During my studies at Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, I discovered that "there have been deeply spiritual groups of Christian believers all down through the centuries, since the day of Pentecost, who have received and proclaimed a like Pentecostal experience." Also, that "there has been a definite revival of this Pentecostal phenomena with all of its supernatural awakening during the last quarter century, beginning at the turn of the present century, and has been world-wide in its scope." (Notes from Dr. Thompson's class—1932.)

This Pentecostal experience has been received by individuals of almost every denomination, race and class level, and is the fulfillment of the "latter rain" prophecies that abound in the Old Testament and definitely supported in the New Testament. (Hosea 6:3; Joel 2:23; Zech. 10:1; Acts 2:17, 18, 38.)

Jesus very definitely promised this measure of the Holy Spirit as the answer to His going away. (John 7:37-39; 14:15-26; 15:26, 27; 16:7-14.)

Quoting from the Pentecostal Holiness Discipline, "At irregular intervals during the intervening centuries, great revivals have occurred in various sections of the world. These revivals were energized and controlled by the Holy Spirit, and quite naturally with recurrent outpourings of the Spirit as on the day of Pentecost. The tendency has been to a lapse into formalism and a departure from the full gospel, within a generation or two after these refreshings. During the closing period of the nineteenth century, following a mighty wave of intercession, energized by the Holy Spirit and led by a number of holy men, mighty revivals swept many sections of the world, with an increasing cry to God for another Pentecost."

This was a "mighty revival of repentance, regeneration and holiness of heart and life." As far as we know, only the regenerated and sanctified individuals, among which were the best and most spiritual people of the organized established churches, and those who had formed themselves into "holiness" bodies, received this gracious Pentecostal baptism with the Holy Spirit. Also, only those who believed in the holy Trinity constituted the Pentecostal vanguard.

During the last forty years, this Pentecostal experience has brought into existence several great Pentecostal bodies who are united in the belief that we are living near the end of time of this present world order, and that the Pentecostal baptism with the Holy Spirit is the great need for to-



It affords me great pleasure to introduce to the EVANGEL family my fellow editor, friend, and brother, Rev. Hubert T. Spence. Brother Spence and I attended Holmes Bible College, formerly Homes Bible and Missionary Institute, at Greenville, S. C. During the months we spent there, our acquaintance developed into a staunch Christian friendship and has grown even dearer through the years, though we have been separated by denominational lines. Brother Spence has served his denomination, the Pentecostal Holiness Church, throughout the years with distinction and honor in such capacities as evangelist, pastor, general treasurer, and editor of their official church organ, "The Pentecostal Holiness Advocate." He is serving in the last two capacities at present, and is also pastor at the beautiful \$135,000 Pentecostal Holiness Church on Lamar Ave., Memphis, Tenn., which was completed under his efficient leadership.

There is much in common in the positions our denominations hold on "the like precious faith," as illustrated by his inspiring, factual, Biblical article. I am sure you will enjoy the visit by Brother Spence. May the Lord's most gracious blessings continue to rest richly upon him in his great work.

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This experience has so mightily charged and energized people until almost every kind of sacrifice, even to martyrdom, has been made within the Pentecostal ranks. Missionaries have gone into all the world preaching the glorious truths of the full gospel. Churches by the thousands have been organized. Bible Schools by the scores have been established. Orphanages are owned and operated. Sunday Schools that enroll hundreds of thousands are being conducted with Pentecostal literature from Pentecostal publishing houses. Evangelism is a definite part of this glorious Pentecostal movement; in fact, we are primarily evangelistic, and will be as long as the Pentecostal fire burns in our hearts. This great Pentecostal movement has brought hundreds of thousands into the kingdom of God from among, almost, all races and nationalities, and led many thousands of these on into the experiences of sanctification and the Pentecostal baptism. Thousands have been divinely healed of many physical ailments and diseases.

One of the outstanding facts about this Pentecostal movement is that one does not have to relinquish any de-

gree of faith or grace already received, nor deny any scriptural truth in order to receive and enjoy the Pentecostal experience. In fact, the Pentecostal baptism with the Holy Spirit presupposes pardon of all actual sins, peace with God, and purity of heart and life. Thus the experience of Pentecost, when rightfully understood, appeals to all who are genuinely godly. This accounts for the fact that it was the most spiritual people who first received this glorious "latter rain" experience, and today the most spiritual people of all denominations are recognizing and openly acknowledging the great work being done by what they term "the Pentecostals." However, we must not forget that we are raised up to go with the suppertime call into the streets and lanes of the cities, and into the highways and hedges, to bring "whosoever will" to the wedding. May we not forsake our calling and leave this job of evangelizing to "questionable evangelists," for, if we allow the fire of evangelism to burn low and go out, we shall find ourselves to be just another denomination, conducting regular worship, but without the zeal and energy to fight sin and the devil.

In reviewing the past thirty years of my personal connection with the Pentecostal movement, I am convinced that the accomplishments of this great movement fully justify our believing that "this is that which was spoken of by the prophet Joel." However, I am also convinced that we need to constantly refuel with the same kind of fire that energized us at the beginning of this century, if we are to finish our work. This is no time for new experiences in religion, but rather is it important that we "hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown." Rev. 3:11, for He says, "Behold, I come quickly."

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Dear Pastors:

This letter will bring to you the main facts concerning a tremendous simultaneous evangelistic campaign which we are projecting for the fall of 1952. Without question this will be the most extensive effort ever put forth by CHRIST FOR AMERICA and our praying friends and associates. The ministry of CHRIST FOR AMERICA from its inception in 1943 has been chiefly dedicated to a program of mass evangelism. God has blessed our work unflinchingly, and probably 170 separate campaigns have been held. Most of these have been city-wide meetings with a large percentage in the smaller cities and towns of America and also several splendid Canadian campaigns. No effort has been made to keep the record of the number of conversions reported, but this undoubtedly runs into the tens of thousands, and we praise God for all that He has wrought.

## We Must Reach the Smaller Communities!

All of us are rejoicing over the big campaigns which are sweeping so many of the larger cities of the nation in these days. However, it is still true that thousands of villages, towns, and smaller cities have not yet come within the orbit of this awakening and evangelistic movement. During the past year we have met scores of pastors out in the little places of the land where there is still much to discourage and very little in the way of fruit to show for even years of ministry. These places are not being reached; nor will they be unless a definite effort is made to evangelize them.

## Well Over 50,000 Fundamental Pastors in the U.S.A. and Canada

We have access to more than 50,000 evangelical pastors in the U.S.A. and Canada, and from among these it should be reasonably possible to secure the cooperation of as many as 15,000 churches in this CHRIST FOR EVERYONE campaign. The possibilities of this campaign and its fruitfulness are tremendous. Supposing we do get the cooperation of 15,000 churches, and only ten or fifteen persons are saved in each of these local campaigns, you can see what tremendous

results may accrue with the blessing of God.

## Revival Will Meet the Challenge!

America-Canada will not be saved by atomic bombs. Our strength must be in the spiritual life of our people, and we are dreadfully in danger at the present time. The spectre of godless Communism engulfing so much of our world is a horrible thing to contemplate. However, Communism is not the thing to be feared. Neither is the war potential of Russia or any combination of godless nations. **THE THING TO BE FEARED IS OUR GOD-LESSNESS, OUR COLD INDIFFERENCE, OUR TURNING AWAY FROM THE WORD OF GOD AS A PEOPLE.**

## Campaign Is Scheduled for October, 1952

Ample time is being allowed for adequate preparation and prayer in behalf of this soul-winning effort. The movement will be centered at Chicago, and representatives will be appointed throughout the U.S.A. and Canada to encourage and develop the program in every area. October is considered to be one of the finest months for evangelism, with vacations over and church activities under way for a new year. How better can any church or group launch out in a new year of activity than to make October a month of soul-winning and link up with this CHRIST FOR EVERYONE campaign.

## National Child-Evangelism Fellowship Is Cooperating

This tremendous movement, with its 26,000 volunteer workers, will be linked with us in this crusade for souls. Mr. H. J. Taylor, of Chicago, who is a member of the board of CHRIST FOR AMERICA and also is the president of the National Committee for Child-Evangelism, will act as chairman of this phase of CHRIST FOR EVERYONE. A tremendous effort will be put forth to reach millions of children throughout both countries during the campaign month. Mr. Franklin F. Ellis, national director of Child Evangelism, has prepared the booklet "Reaching the Children" to be used widely in the campaign.

## Prayer in Relation to the Campaign

We are stressing the need of much earnest prayer and will constantly call upon believers to form prayer groups everywhere, and also we shall need thousands of individual prayer partners who may not find it convenient to form or meet with prayer groups at stipulated periods. Dr. Philip E. Howard, Jr., editor of the Sunday School Times, along with Mr. George T. B. Davis of the Million Testaments Campaign, will serve as co-chairmen of the National Prayer Committee. Dr. Ernest Wadsworth of the Great Commission Prayer League will act as chairman of this committee. These men have collaborated in preparing a booklet to be entitled, "NO REVIVAL WITHOUT PRAYER," and this will be made available for wide distribution during the coming months.

## Dr. Howard W. Ferrin to Promote Co-Operation of Bible Schools and Colleges

There are approximately 30,000 stu-

dents in our Christian institutes of higher learning, and you can readily see how very valuable their active participation will be as personal workers in this campaign. Pray that leaders of all Christian schools will join us heartily in the campaign. Dr. Ferrin is president of the PROVIDENCE BIBLE INSTITUTE.

## The Backing of Gospel Broadcasters

It is estimated conservatively that we have more than 2,500 sound gospel radio preachers in the U.S.A. and Canada. Think what it will mean to have at least a large proportion of these standing with us in this great evangelistic enterprise.

## Campaign Plan for the Month

The plan for these local campaigns in the churches calls for the following: (a) The first week to be devoted to congregational prayer and spiritual awakening in the local church; (b) then follows two weeks of visitation evangelism under the guidance and leadership of the pastor throughout the community; (c) the month to be climaxed with an eight-day evangelistic campaign in the local church, and where possible this will be extended to two weeks. Pastors and workers will engage in a careful recheck on all reported conversions and carefully follow up the converts.

## Dr. Willard Aldrich Is Chairman of Literature Committee

We are happy to have the president of Multnomah School of the Bible at Portland, Oregon, in this vital post. Booklets being prepared to be made available to the pastors will include: A PASTOR'S GUIDE; a booklet on "NO REVIVAL WITHOUT PRAYER"; another on VISITATION EVANGELISM; still another on REACHING THE CHILDREN; a booklet on FOLLOW-UP WORK; and UNIFORM ADVERTISING MATERIAL will also be furnished.

## Dr. R. L. Decker Appointed Chairman of Denominational and Other Church Groups

We are happy to announce that Dr. R. L. Decker, who is pastor of the Temple Baptist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, and also is the executive director of the National Association of Evangelicals, will seek the full cooperation of the smaller and fundamental denominational church bodies and other church groups.

## Dr. Robert M. Parr to Guide "Visitation Evangelism"

The middle two weeks of October to be devoted to visitation or neighborhood evangelism by all co-operating churches. The phenomenal results of nine years of consistent visitation evangelism are shown in Dr. Parr's booklet specially prepared for use in this CHRIST FOR EVERYONE campaign. His small church of 14 persons ten years ago, in Detroit, has become a vast church of more than 10,000 members.

## Dawson E. Trotman to Spur "Follow-Up" Work

Fruits of this gigantic evangelistic effort must be conserved by each church enlisting. DAWSON TROTMAN, of Los Angeles, president of THE NAVIGATORS and now in charge of

**FOLLOW-UP** work in the **BILLY GRAHAM CAMPAIGNS**, will serve as chairman of this phase of work in this campaign. He has prepared a manual which will be of untold value to each pastor and his workers.

#### Practical Ways by Which You Can Help

(a) **PRAY**—You can do nothing until you have prayed. First of all, pray for yourself and thousands of other pastors that their hearts may be warmed, their evangelistic zeal increased, and that they may lead their churches to join in this all-out effort to reach the lost in our generation. This may be our last opportunity. (b) **PRAY**—that we may be guided by the Spirit of God in the appointment of every leader and every move made in this effort. (c) **PRAY**—that God will lay the burden upon the hearts of His people, and that they may contribute generously so that every financial need will be met. It is estimated that possibly \$200,000 will be required. There is no more economical way to evangelize the continent than through this plan. You know that some recent city-wide campaigns have cost more than \$100,000, and certainly they have been well worth while. It may be that this campaign will result in 250,000 people or more finding Jesus Christ as Saviour. If so, the cost of winning one soul in this campaign will be less than \$1.00.

#### HOW TO ENLIST IN THE "CHRIST FOR EVERYONE" CAMPAIGN

(1) Take the matter up with your congregation at the very first opportunity. Inform them fully of the movement—its leaders—its aims and the method described herein. Urge the full backing of a local campaign under your own leadership during October, 1952, as outlined under paragraph **Campaign Plan for the Month**. If possible bring the matter to a vote so as to insure having your people definitely behind you in this vital work.

#### (2) FILL OUT THE COUPON BE-

#### ENLIST NOW—Pray and Work for REVIVAL

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(3) Where two or more churches in any town or city enlist in this **CHRIST FOR EVERYONE** campaign, we suggest that the pastors confer with each other in the matter of dividing the community for the visitation program to avoid overlapping. In some cities a **CHRIST FOR EVERYONE** committee is being formed by the pastors for the purpose of thoroughly covering every home in an orderly equitable manner. In some cases the churches in larger cities will plan the 8-day campaign as a union meeting.

**NOTE:** Each pastor enlisting as above (2) will receive a sample packet of the printed helps. In addition, the registration remittance will entitle you to consultative service to help you with any special problem. An order form price list of the printed accessories will be enclosed with the packet. The materials will be supplied in quantities to co-operating churches as reasonably as possible.

#### NOTICES

I have been in the healing ministry for 3 years. I feel that God would have me to pray over handkerchiefs for the healing of the sick. If you should desire my prayers, send a cloth and a self-addressed stamped envelope. Send all cloths to Rev. A. C. McKaig, 110 S. Sage Ave., Mobile, Ala.

Rev. R. E. Johnson, 440 Forrest Hill Road, Englewood, Rocky Mt., N. C., is now available for revivals.

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Have you ever seen this group of singers before? Many of you have, of course. They are the Full Gospel Trio, of the Clyde, N. C., Church of God. From left to right, they are: Rachel Thompson, Peggy Sanford, and Russell Sanford (sister and brother).

We, the church at Clyde, report progress under the leadership of our good pastor, Rev. F. T. Presley. The indebtedness of the church, when Brother Presley came to Clyde, was \$1,800. The parsonage was in poor condition, and the church was incomplete, with no heating system. The church began to work toward the goal of remodeling the parsonage, installing a heating system, raising all quotas, and paying off our indebtedness.

The Y. P. E. began a contest which lasted 6 weeks. In this contest alone we raised \$515. Later, the Sunday School raised all quotas. We remodeled the parsonage, which cost around \$500, and installed an oil furnace, which cost \$1,125. The total improvements made since Brother Presley has come to Clyde have amounted to \$2,500. We give the praise to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.—Reporter.



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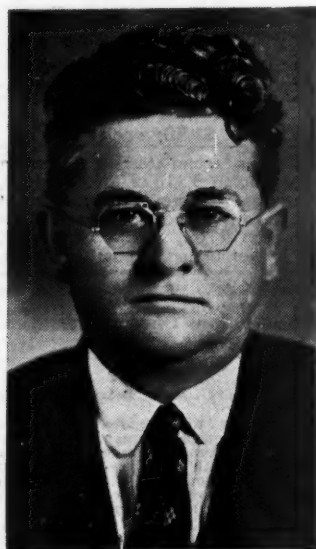
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# EVANGEL BOOSTERS ...



I have received 40 subscriptions for the Church of God Evangel for the East Alton, Ill., Church. I have been a reader of the Evangel for about 34 years, and I look forward each week to receiving my paper. I trust that the churches in general are working for this good paper. May God bless the Editor-in-Chief and his co-workers.—W. J. Milligan, Pastor, East Alton, Ill.

Note: Brother Milligan became a licensed evangelist in the Church of God in the State of Illinois July 28, 1920. He was ordained June 1, 1926, in the same state. He has served the Church as state overseer of the following states: Arkansas, 4 years; Missouri, 7 years; Delaware, District of Columbia, and Maryland, 2 years; Kentucky, 4 years. He was a member of the Orphanage Board two years and was one of the general trustees of the Church two years. He has also pastored a number of churches, including the North Cleveland, Tenn., Church.



This is Brother Robert L. Griffin, one of my finest members, and his good family. We have dubbed him "Evangel King of LaGrange, Ga." He drives one of the Double Cola trucks here and has secured 46 Evangel subscriptions. It makes me feel really good, as a pastor, to see one of my members step out in one week and do such a splendid work for God and His church.—W. C. Swilley, Pastor, LaGrange, Ga.

## ANOTHER EVANGEL BOOSTER

I am enclosing a \$43.75 check for 25 individual Evangel subscriptions and a roll of 10. Yesterday (April 6) was Evangel day, and we went over the top with more than 1 for each of our present membership (50). We had only 26 members last June 14, 1951, and there were only 7 or 8 subscribing to the Evangel. We have also sent some Evangel subscriptions to other cities. I trust that we have set the pace for other churches in Illinois. We love the Evangel and want to see it in more homes. Our work here is growing, and we surely thank God for it.—Carl V. Hanvey, Pastor, Springfield, Ill.

## OUR SUBSCRIBERS WRITE

I get the Evangel every week. I think it is grand and receive a blessing from it.—Pauline Morris, Bristol, Tenn.

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John W. Padgett, Cooper Heights, Ga.	15
A. H. Clark, Tarboro, N. C.	8

George D. Lemons, Hickory, N. C.	25
Douglas Chapel, Winton, Ga.	10
Robert E. Timmons, Clearspring, Md.	5
Jeff Dale, Donaldsonville, Ga.	12
W. P. Gosnell, Jr., Smithfield, N. C.	12
Mrs. S. G. Foreband, Pikeville, N. C.	6
L. L. Reeder, Greenville, N. C.	32
A. H. Clark, Jr., Tarboro, N. C.	5
Myrtle Aiken, Tryon, N. C.	12
W. B. Byod, Statesville, N. C.	6
J. H. Daniels, Bessemer City, N. C.	4
A. J. Clements, Atlanta, Ga.	5
J. W. Shook, Rosman, N. C.	5
T. A. Perkins, Jesup, Ga.	50
A. A. Segis, Lavonia, Ga.	9
Rev. Cecil Hand, West Green, Ga.	6
Helen Weaver, Lincolnton, N. C.	13
I. B. Wilkinson, Bowdon, Ga.	6
J. E. Underwood, LaFayette, Ga.	4
Mrs. Denver Morgan, Stillmore, Ga.	4
B. D. Gore, Vidalia, Ga.	5
J. A. Clements, Hazlehurst, Ga.	26
Mrs. G. A. Lewis, Hazlehurst, Ga.	7
Tony Petrucci, Bladenboro, N. C.	5
Hazelwood Church, Mrs. Janie Riggins, Wayneville, N. C.	4
Mrs. Glenn Day, Cumming, Ga.	32
Church of God, Corona, Calif.	7
S. T. Luke, Oakboro, N. C.	7
George Vance, Lindsay, Okla.	4
Church of God, Blue Ridge, Ga.	4
Arthur Nelson, Pinnacle, N. C.	14
Mrs. W. C. Hill, Lubbock, Texas	4
G. L. Herring, Baxley, Ga.	27
Mrs. Earl Hensley, Levelland, Tex.	4
Boykin Church of God, Colquitt, Ga.	10
A. B. Whittington, Mt. Vernon, Ill.	30
Mrs. Vernon Harneson, Carbon, Ind.	9
Paul Fowler, Odom, Ga.	9
Kelso Church of God, Longview, Wash.	4
W. E. Dowdy, Independence, Kans.	18
Earl P. Faulk, Charlotte, N. C.	205
G. F. Carter, Lenoir, N. C.	60
Mrs. H. K. Arunt, Pitts, Ga.	19
Kansas State, W. E. Dowdy	12
Roy Ray, Cherryville, N. C.	14
Edward Gray, Jr., Havre de Grace, Md.	6
Josie Bledsoe, Big Creek, W. Va.	4
John J. Floyd, Moultrie, Ga.	15
H. D. Williams, Birmingham, Ala.	64
L. F. Harper, Rossville, Ga.	22
Mary Hampton, Graham, Ga.	72
Mrs. Thelma Sharp, Rome, Ga.	6
Elsie Burch, Franklin, N. C.	4
Charlie Willis, Hartwell, Ga.	12
Joe N. Jordan, Ringgold, Ga.	8
W. F. Cash, Brookhaven, Ga.	13
Mrs. Nancy M. Johnson, Cumberland Ky.	8
Mrs. Robert J. Newsome, Thomson, Ga.	5
E. H. Phillips, Icard, N. C.	17
G. A. McCurry, Shelby, N. C.	15
W. H. Swift, Rome, Ga.	13
E. S. Ansley, Newnan, Ga.	4
L. N. Puett, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.	60
Roy Morgan, LaFollette, Tenn.	8
John E. Tressler, Alverton, Penna.	4
Roy C. Phillips, McCaysville, Ga.	15
Emerson Abbott, Phoenix, Md.	17
Joe T. Cooper, Fitzgerald, Ga.	5
C. O. Carter, Concord, N. C.	11
Rev. O. M. Hume, Bonham, Texas	6
Cecil Wheeler, Alma, Ga.	5
E. E. Coleman, Beulah, N. Dak.	15
W. T. Head, Abingdon, Va.	4
P. O. Gordon, Ludowica, Ga.	9
Mrs. Gene Martin, Bristol, Tenn.	4
W. P. Pope, Jr., Clayton, N. C.	5
B. F. Darnell, Valdese, N. C.	10
O. L. McManus, New Orleans, La.	16
W. B. Collins, Fort White, Fla.	8
Mrs. B. J. Reid, Granite Falls, N. C.	14
Church of God, Huntersville, N. C.	14
P. C. Parker, Roseboro, N. C.	11
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Brooks Youngblood	16
Claudine Smith, Gainesville, Ga.	5
Miss Lucille Moore, Sr., Teachey, N. C.	14
Mrs. P. N. Haman, Savannah, Ga.	52
Virgil Ward, Savannah, Ga.	56
O. B. Presley, Springfield, Mo.	6
George Ingram, Walda, Ga.	16
Ralph C. Robinson, Mooresville, N. C.	6
Margaret Dall, Plymouth, N. C.	22
Andrew Ming, Manchester, Ga.	5
Mrs. Thelma Dudley, Atlanta, Ga.	8
Dalle King, Atlanta, Ga.	8
L. O. Cooper, Burdette, Ark.	6
Mrs. G. H. Brock, Hendersonville, N. C.	8
I. E. Smith, Cave Spring, Ga.	15
G. R. Watson, Atlanta, Ga.	23
W. C. Swilley, LaGrange, Ga.	46
H. H. Griffin, Buford, Ga.	14
P. H. McCann, Kannapolis, N. C.	27
Roy L. Gav, Sharpes Chapel, La.	16
J. W. Leatherwood, Covington, La.	8
Allen Fitzgerald, Covington, La.	7
James E. Wynes, Bogalusa, La.	12
M. B. Morris, Columbus, Ga.	14

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# OLD-FASHIONED REVIVALS

**LAFAYETTE, Tenn.**—We have just had a one-week revival here, with Brother Edwin H. Kerr, of Cleveland, Tenn., doing the preaching. He is a wonderful man of God. The church was wonderfully blessed and the power of the Holy Ghost was manifested. Some were healed and one was restored to the Lord. We give God the praise for what has been done here.—R. L. Bailey, Pastor.

**MIAMI, Fla.**—During the last prayer conference, our pastor, Rev. Dismukes, felt definitely led of God to engage Evangelist Lindsey Pratt for a revival in the Miami church. This revival began on February 17 as a follow-up revival to the Oral Roberts' campaign. The Spirit of God was with us from the beginning. The revival fires, fanned by the soul-searching messages, spread until the revival became the best the Miami Church has experienced in years. It was not possible to keep an accurate account of the souls saved, but the number was approximately 50, 25 sanctified, and 22 baptized with the Holy Ghost. Not only has Brother Pratt been a blessing to our church, but Sister Pratt has been a great inspiration as a soloist, altar worker, and faithful prayer warrior. We are grateful, also, for the many ways God has blessed through the faithful ministry of our pastor, Rev. F. T. Dismukes.—Florence Renner, Reporter.

**EUPORA, Miss.**—We have just had a 4 weeks' revival at the Fame Church of God, with Brother Vernon E. Rowe doing the preaching. There were 22 saved, 18 sanctified, 11 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 12 added to the church. This was a glorious revival, and the church was blessed. We truly praise the Lord for everything. We have 18 to baptize in water soon.—T. H. Pugh, Pastor.

**WHEELWRIGHT, Ky.**—We recently had a wonderful youth revival here, with 4 saved, 2 baptized in water, and 1 added to the church. The evangelists were Rev. Chester Hurst, of Shelby, Ky., and Rev. Loyd Addair, of War, W. Va. The revival was a great blessing to the church, and we give God all the praise for it.—Mrs. C. W. Blythe, Secretary.

**LYONS, Ga.**, has recently had a great 4 weeks' revival at Edmond Chapel church, with Rev. Hilda Hulett, of Macon, Ga. There were 14 saved, 5 sanctified, 4 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 3 added to the church.

**MILL CREEK, W. Va.**—We are glad to report a good revival here. There were quite a few saved, sanctified, baptized in water, and added to the church. There were also many healed. Rev. Roy Dagnan, of Wallins Creek, Ky., was the evangelist.—Allen Tomblin, Pastor.

**PAMPA, Texas**—We have had a five weeks' revival with 30 saved, 8 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 5 added to the church. We had 120 in Sunday School, and our Y.P.E. is doing very good. The people in Pampa have been good to us; they love the old-time power of God and believe in the high standard of the Church of God.—H. E. Ramsey, Pastor.

**LEMMON, S. Dak.**—The Northwest is on fire, Lemmon, S. Dakota, being visited with the greatest revival in many years. In 2 weeks 44 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, 30 added to the church, many healed, and the country stirred. God is working.—Pastor, James B. Reesor; Evangelist, D. C. Boatwright.

**FREEBURN, Ky.**—We praise the Lord for the wonderful revival here, with Sister Fern Sturges as the evangelist. There were 18 saved, 16 sanctified, 4 filled with the Holy Ghost, 6 baptized in water, and 5 added to the church. Sister Sturges is only 16 years of age, is a very outstanding preacher, and lives a wholly consecrated life for the Lord.—Dewey L. Stump, Clerk.

**COOLIDGE, Ga.**—We have just had a five weeks' revival, with Sister Grace Phillips, of Adel, Georgia, as the evangelist. Many healings have been seen. There were 21 saved, 5 sanctified, 6 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 8 added to the church. The Holy Ghost took over many nights. We had an old-fashioned feet-washing and communion service.—Rev. W. F. Hobbs, Pastor.

**RANDLEMAN, N. C.**—The shout of victory has been heard in the church here as souls have been blessed. During the first week end of the revival, with Bro. L. O. Prossor as evangelist, God was working and the altar was full of seekers. The flu epidemic hindered some, but God continued to pour out His Spirit. Fourteen were saved, 8 sanctified, 2 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 4 added to the church.—S. W. Avery, Pastor.

**WEST JUNCTION, Ohio**—The Lord blessed each night in the revival which Sister Mary Lou Wiles conducted here. There were 8 saved, 7 sanctified, and 1 filled with the Holy Ghost. The whole church was blessed. We praise the Lord for it all.—Alex Yearly, Pastor.

**BIG RAPIDS, Mich.**—We thank God for the 2 weeks' revival we have just closed, with Rev. M. L. Lowe, of Lignite, N. Dak., as evangelist. The presence of the Lord could be felt from the beginning of the revival, and many hearts were stirred as we listened to Bro. Lowe's Spirit-filled messages. The last 2 nights of the revival there were 5 people saved, with more seekers in the altar. This has been a hard field in which to work, but there were new people in attendance each

night. It seemed that the revival was just beginning when the meetings had to close. We believe this is only the beginning, and we desire your prayers that the church will go forward under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. Robert Thomas.—Neva Cousineau, Clerk.

**GAINESVILLE, Ga.**—We recently closed a 3 weeks' revival with Rev. O. L. May as evangelist. He is a wonderful man of God; our souls were blessed. Fifteen were saved, 4 filled with the Holy Ghost, and the church greatly blessed in many ways. Rev. Merlin Brown, our new pastor, and his good wife are truly loved and appreciated here.—G. E. Williams, Clerk.

**NASHVILLE, Ga.**—We praise the Lord for the wonderful 2 weeks' revival here, with Brother R. E. Burnham as evangelist. There were 19 saved, 11 sanctified, 8 filled with the Holy Ghost and 6 added to the church. Brother Burnham was a blessing to our church, and the revival spirit is continuing in our regular services.—M. S. Mitchell, Pastor.

## OBITUARY PANNELL

L. P. Pannell, 22, died at Doraville, Ga., Friday, May 2. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Peggy Simmons, daughter of Rev. E. L. Simmons, state overseer of Georgia, and Mrs. Simmons; his daughter, Peggy Denise; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Pannell, Sr., of Electra, Texas; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lane, also of Electra, Texas; 2 sisters, Mrs. Jack Truitt and Dee LeVerne Pannell; 2 brothers, Charles Pannell and R. F. Pannell, Jr.

L. P. was a member of the Doraville Church of God and taught a Sunday School class there.

Funeral services were conducted in the North Cleveland, Tenn., Church of God by Rev. W. M. Horton, his pastor, assisted by the Reverends J. Frank Spivey and Zeno C. Tharp. A choir from Lee College sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "Rock of Ages." Mac Symes sang "If We Never Meet Again This Side of Heaven." The floral offering was beautiful.

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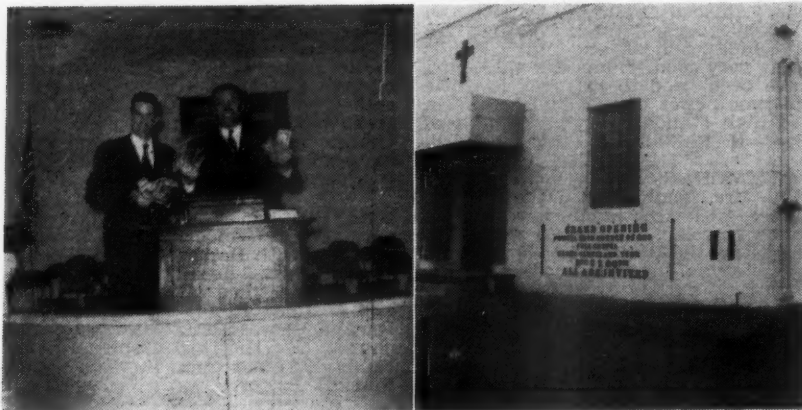
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# INTERESTING REPORTS

## GREETINGS FROM THE GREAT NORTHWEST



From Portland, Oregon, comes our praise and thanks to a bountiful God, who has prospered us both in souls and the building of new churches on this district. Our capable pastor and district overseer, Rev. M. L. Cowdell, has been an inspiration in his labors to win souls and build new churches.

We have a beautiful new church building now in Portland, located at 7411 S. E. Powell Blvd., on the main

thoroughfare (the bus stops in front of the church). The building is 40 by 60 feet, with a 50-foot front, a full-size basement, 8-inch concrete walls, and a complete hot-air furnace. The main structure is of light-weight cement blocks. Some finishing work is yet to be done.

Rev. M. L. Cowdell and the laity, including women and children, did most all of the work. The church

building is beautiful, yet simply decorated and furnished. Our opening services were December 9, 1951. Three services were held, with a fellowship meeting following the next Monday night. The building was full the opening service. Our state overseer, Rev. F. W. Goff, was our guest speaker. The presence of God was present in each service, and our hearts were united as we lifted our voices in praises to God. We received around \$500 in cash and pledges that day.

The church is valued at several thousand dollars. We appreciate the cooperation and help of the ministers on the district and the friends of the church.

In Silverton, Oregon, also on the district, Rev. L. Kell, the pastor then, his evangelistic son, Rev. Allen Kell, and good members erected a nice church. God is moving here in this harvest field, and we want to move with Him.

We sincerely appreciate our good overseer, Rev. F. W. Goff, for his efforts and labor to help spread the gospel and bring about a better fellowship among the Christians and ministers.

Pray that God will continue to bless us and send laborers into the whitened harvest fields.—Mrs. Miles Davis, Portland, Oregon.

## PENNSYLVANIA PRAYER CONFERENCE

The Pennsylvania prayer conference convened March 24, 25, in the McCandless Avenue church in Pittsburgh. Our beloved state overseer had



February 24, 1952, marked a red-letter day in Porterville, California. We broke all previous records in Sunday School with an attendance of 363. This exceeded our previous week which was also a record breaker of 291. Much thanks is due our evangelistic party, the Jesup Brothers of Gulfport, Mississippi.

We thank God for what He has helped us to do in Porterville. We have taken in 54 members and brought

the tithes up so that we have been in the "Big Ten" every month but two, I believe. Our property is valued at \$45,000 of which we owe only \$16,000. There are so many things God has done for the people of Porterville church that space will not permit me to enumerate them so we just say, Praise be to our God from whom all blessings flow.—Harold B. Thompson, Pastor.



a well-arranged program outlined, and God set His approval upon it. Rev. Roland Verrico was the host pastor, and he extended such a hearty welcome that everyone felt at home. The local church worked hard to make this conference a success. Many remarks were heard about the hospitality extended, for which all were thankful. The keynote sermon, long to be remembered, was delivered by our overseer on "Consecration." As prayer was offered following this sermon, you could tell it had hit the mark.

We were honored to have our Assistant General Overseer, Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, to speak in the evening services. In his unique way of preaching he set our souls on fire as we realized what faith in God would do. Also, his message on "The Guidance of the Holy Spirit" was outstanding.

On Tuesday morning, Brother Carl White, recently returned to Pennsylvania from Florida, spoke on "Belief in the Word of God." This message carried the approval of God upon it. Brother Muncy, a former minister of Pennsylvania, now in Durham, N. C., brought a good message on "When He Is Come."

We were honored on Tuesday afternoon with the presence of Rev. Paul Walker, state overseer, and Rev. Polen, state youth director of Ohio. Brother Walker's sermon on the various aspects of the ministry made each minister more conscious of the high calling and responsibility to God. The congregational and special singing was greatly enjoyed. As this great prayer conference came to a close, you heard, "I wish it would continue." I am sure each pastor and evangelist returned with a greater desire to work for God and the Church.—A. G. Thompson, Pennsylvania State Youth Director.



Above you will notice the happy pastor, Rev. C. H. Deans, at Fort Meade, Md., receiving a deed presented by Ed Rushlow and wife, at our young people's meeting, Saturday night, April 5. The deed is for a lot

## DUMAS, TEXAS, CHURCH OF GOD PURCHASES NEW PIANO AND ORGAN



Recently the Church of God in Dumas purchased a new Minshall-Esty electric organ and Baldwin auditorium piano. In the accompanying pictures, Martha Truesdell, daughter of the pastor, is seated at the piano, and at the organ is Don Davidson. Don is a gifted musician and is the nephew of a veteran Texas preacher, Rev. Lee Baker, who is pastor of the Graham Church.

Since the installation of these instruments, all recent records in Sunday school attendance have been broken twice, and new life has been given to the youth services. The dis-



trict pastor of the Amarillo District, Rev. F. W. Petrea, has given hearty cooperation. At a district service held here, he received an offering of \$17.50 to be applied on the down payment. Assuming the bulk of the burden for payment of the instruments is the Ladies Willing Workers' Band. Many nonmember friends are contributing both money and work, and we appreciate their fine support.

In closing, we should like to mention these friends whose support has meant so much: the Dearman family, the Shepard family, and Brother E. E. DeBusk.—Cecil M. Truesdell.

on which Rev. Deans plans to build their new church building. This will be the 7th building Brother Deans has built for the Church of God in the past 9 years.

Brother Rushlow, who is a converted Catholic, is also a sergeant in the Army, and will be in Japan or Korea by the time this is printed.—Ernest Tedford.

### DISTRICT CONVENTION

WHEELER, Miss.—Words cannot describe our Wheeler District convention this year. It was wonderful! We did not even have to receive a floor offering; yet there was an increase of \$147 over that of last year. Our state overseer and our district pastor, Grady May, were indeed happy that the work was done and we could rejoice in the Lord.—Beatrice Hall, Baldwin, Miss.

### GOD HAS BLESSED WORK IN FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Worker Requests Prayer for Healing  
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—I am requesting prayer for the healing of my body. I have hay fever and low blood. I know God heals the body as well as the soul, and I am waiting on Him to heal me. I haven't been to a doctor since July of 1948. Before then I had to have thirteen blood transfusions; the doctor said I would have to have them all my life. I had to have shots for my blood every day, and yet I got worse. I sent in a request for all Christians to pray for God to heal me, and

in August He touched my body, and I haven't had any shots or transfusions since. However, since January of this year I have had stomach trouble. I know God is going to heal me again this time.

When I was healed in 1948 God laid it on my heart to start a church in the neighborhood where I lived, since there was none around there. Some others there wanted one so we bought a tent and started Sunday School on Oct. 3, 1948. In January, 1949, we organized a church, and in December of that same year we bought four lots. God helped us, and soon we had a \$16,000 church, with a heating plant, finished, ready to move into. When the building was started God laid it on the hearts of some of our Baptist friends to help us, and they gave money and paid some of the workers. Our membership is around 60, and we average 113 in Sunday School. We praise the Lord for all He has done for us, and the way He has helped us in building up this work. The address of our church is: The Antioch Holiness Church, South Cool Spring St., Fayetteville, N. C.—Mrs. Stella Whittington, Pastor.

MARFRANCE, W. Va.—We had a wonderful revival with Rev. W. D. Hungate preaching. God poured out His Spirit in a mighty way. There were 27 saved, 22 sanctified, 7 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 14 baptized in water. We praise God for the way He has blessed.—Paul Flowers, Pastor.

# Testimonies

Just a few words for the glory of God. I am serving a life sentence in the West Virginia State Prison. I have been here since August 13, 1947. In May, 1947, at the county jail at Welch, W. Va., the Lord saved my soul and sanctified me. I was released on bail in June, 1947, and was baptized in water on Easter Sunday. I was placed in jail again after my trial, and on the 5th or 6th of July, 1947, I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues for about thirty minutes. I was lying on my bed praising God and the Holy Ghost fell on me. I do thank God tonight for salvation. I cannot find words to express my love for Jesus and my wonder at the never-failing grace, mercy, understanding, and love of God and His blessed Son, Christ Jesus.

If I had only known years ago what I know tonight, I would not be here. I know that by the grace of God my name is written in the Lamb's book of life. If I live out my days here in prison, I know that I have an eternal home awaiting me when this life is over. God is faithful and I have found His grace sufficient here behind these walls. Pray for me that I may be used of God and remain faithful unto the end. Pray for J. T. Hubbard, also. We need your prayers.—Dave Boone, Serial No. 34840, 818 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville, W. Va.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—I praise the Lord for His miraculous power and for healing me of cancer of the stomach. I had been to the doctor many times; my husband had spent all he had on me. I had had many operations, none helping, but, praise the Lord, when Brother Jones prayed for me, God healed me.—Mrs. Clyde Peak.

DONALSONVILLE, Ga.—I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. Feb. 19, 1952, I was divinely healed of the flu. My throat was so sore I could hardly talk, so my husband got Brother Hubert Moss to pray for me. Thank God, I was healed! I drank some water and felt as if I had a new throat. I also praise Him for saving, sanctifying, and giving me the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Ulmer McLendon.

DILLON, S. C.—I feel like Jesus raised me out of the shadow of death. My appendix ruptured before I could get to the hospital. I almost died; in fact, the doctor told my mother I had only about one hour to live, but she prayed for me and called others to pray. I was unsaved and knew that if I went out to meet God, I would be lost. I prayed for the Lord to spare my life. Mother called Brother Willie B. Louis to pray with me. I got saved, and from that moment I started improving. Praise His wonderful name. His wonderful healing hand reached to touch me, and I was healed!—L. G. Sweat.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.—For 3 years I suffered and got worse. I wanted to trust God but didn't have enough faith. I had the fear of death upon me so that I couldn't trust God. I was afraid if I was operated on I would die, but I thought, "Surely it's death for me if I don't have the operation." I have four little boys. I couldn't bear the thought of dying and leaving them and my husband. Brother Boger, my pastor, talked and prayed with me. He had trusted the Lord with his body for many years. That day when he explained how easy it would be for God to heal me, I knew he knew about what he was talking. The next morning I felt that I would die any minute, but I raised my arms toward God and said, "Lord, I'm going to trust you with my body. If you want to heal me, it's all right; if you want to take me, I'm ready to go." In that moment I realized a touch that I had never before experienced. At the same time He healed me of low blood. In about two weeks I went back to the doctor. He was surprised and said I was completely well. He also checked my blood and it was normal. I weighed 106 pounds then; now I weigh 125 pounds, and haven't had any weak, fainting spells since. All praise to His wonderful name!—Mrs. Katie Mae Bass.

WILMINGTON, N. C.—In July, I was afflicted with some kind of a sore and swollen condition in my left side; I couldn't sit or lie down in peace. I had a temperature of 103 degrees off and on for about a week. The doctor recommended an operation, but I decided to trust the Lord, as I had been healed many times before. I was almost instantly healed, and this affliction has never come back. I thank Him more than I can ever tell.—Mrs. R. C. Pierce.

BURKWELL, Ga.—Praise God for salvation through Christ Jesus. About 20 years ago I repented of my sins when I was very sick, not expecting to live, but through prayer and faith, Jesus removed the burden of sin and wonderfully healed me. Later on I was sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and joined the Church of God. Ever since this full salvation came into my life I have been trying to live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, as it says in Matthew 4:4. Though I have failed in some ways, as I learn better, I take it to God who is able to help me to do His will. I desire your prayers that I may stand for God always. I have two children in sin, also my husband. Pray for them.—Mrs. Sallie A. Thompson.

## E/P NEWS...

### CRIME NOTE

According to the latest crime figures released by the FBI for January-June, 1951, there were approximately as many 18-year-olds arrested and fingerprinted as 24-year-olds. Of the total 419,451 fingerprinted during the six-month period, 15,204 were 18, and 1,984 were under 15. Burglary and theft were the highest offenses in these age groups. While drinking among youth is heavy, adults and parents are reminded by the report that their drinking is yet heavier: for in each of the following five-year age spans—25-29, 30-34, and 35-39, there were almost three times as many arrests for drunkenness and driving while intoxicated as in the five-year age span from 17-21.

### INDIA TO CELEBRATE ST. THOMAS' 1900th ANNIVERSARY

The 1900th anniversary of St. Thomas' coming to India is to be celebrated in 1952. A combined celebration of all the churches and missions working in India is planned on a nation-wide scale. Churches also may have their own religious festivities, according to their own tenets. Both the Roman Catholic and Protestant churches are taking an active interest in the anniversary. St. Thomas is the Patron Saint of India.

Just as the 1900th anniversary of St. Paul's arrival in Europe was commemorated in 1951, with an ecumenical journey following his itinerary, so a tour of pilgrimages to places associated with St. Thomas is planned this year in India. A bus pilgrimage may

be started from Cranganore, where St. Thomas is said to have landed, and pass through Parur, Niranom, and Quilon, which are sites of churches founded by him, and through many other places of interest in Syrian church history.

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This is bidding fair to rank with the most popular books of the nation. Quartets are falling for such songs as "Bells Are Ringing," "If," "I Have a Longing in My Heart," "I'll Leave It All Behind," "He's the Theme of My Song," and many others. Classes are singing "When He Sweeps Across the Skies," "Why Not You?" "The Joy of Heaven," and "I'd Like to Talk It All Over With Him." A favorite of the prayer-room group is "There Is Joy in His Love."

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# Christian Attraction

By O. L. May, Pastor, Monroe, Ga.

Text: "And the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch," Acts 11:26.

The disciples were called Christians because they had adopted so many of the ways of Christ. They lived like Him; they talked like Him; they acted like Him. In fact, they were really mimickers of Him. They were copying all of His ways that they could. It is always good to copy after one so great as Jesus Christ, for He is the great central attraction of Christianity.

Let us think of the Christian calling. St. Mark 1:16-20, "Now as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed him. And when he had gone a little farther thence, he saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets. And straightway he called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him." Were these four men attracted by the invitation of Jesus? Evidently they were, or they would not have left their work to follow Him. Mr. Webster gives the definition of the word attraction as "ability or process of drawing to or toward; that which draws; charm; fascination." So, it is my opinion these four men were drawn by the charm of the Lord, and fascinated by His words. I feel that every minister of this wonderful gospel is attracted by the great call which came to go preach to all the world. And is not every layman fascinated when drawn into this marvelous hope of eternal life? It is no wonder that we are attracted with what God has done for us in this present world. The call to these four men held such charm that fishing was no longer important. Neither was gain, mending their nets, or even their father important to them any longer. The important thing was to catch men; this was really a great attraction. Did they catch men? Just think of the 3,000 at Pentecost.

The Bible has rightfully been called the Christian's volume of attraction. First, because of the great facts which it points out. Events—the world's greatest: historically—from the beginning; geographically—from chaos to the New Jerusalem in a new heaven and a new earth. John said, "In the beginning was the word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the

light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not," John 1:1-5.

Did not God send the heavenly choir to sing when Christ was born in Bethlehem? Did not the brightest star that ever shone, shine that night? Did not God make the way for the preservation of His life from the wicked Herod? Did Jesus not astound the doctors and lawyers when a youth? Did not John point Him out to the group and say, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." Did not the heavens open when John baptized Him, and God testified that this was His Son, sending the Holy Ghost in the form of a dove upon the earth? Was He not crucified and arose on the third day? Did He not tarry 40 days before He went back home? Did He not send the Holy Ghost as He said He would? Yes, He did all these things and many more; then He must be the central theme of the Book. Through nearly 2,000 years the Book has held a very wonderful attraction. Some books are well-worn and stained with tears, while others are covered with dust. How is yours?

The answer to every problem is to be found within. The way to heaven is very plain, and it tells us how to escape the terrible place called hell. Yet, we know it doesn't tell all the things our Lord did, for John says, "And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written," John 21:25. Here John must have been overwhelmingly attracted by the things he had not, and could not, write. John saw a world weighted down with the things that He did which could not be written. I expect to begin to know those things when I step inside the gates of pearl.

**Christ the person.** No individual has ever been more attractive or admired more than our Lord, by those who knew Him and walked with Him. He never did anything of which He could rightfully be accused. His words were as astonishing as the things He did. Millions have been attracted by the things He said and did. Strange and attractive were His words to Nicodemus when He said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." A great man, a ruler of the Jews, yet these were strange words to him. Nicodemus said, "How can these things be?" Then think of what He said to the Samaritan woman. "Give me to drink." These words amazed her, for they appeared to be from one begging. But was He begging? No. He only wanted to talk to her about the things of which she was in desperate need. His words not only



Rev. O. L. May was converted at Scalp, N. C., January 9, 1939. Five nights later he was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. He preached his first sermon at Rosmon, N. C., July 30, of that same year, and united with the Church of God that night. The rest of 1939 he preached in North Carolina. In 1940, he did evangelistic work in South Carolina under the oversight of Rev. J. D. Bright, and while there received his evangelistic license. He went to Arkansas as youth director under the Rev. A. L. Burroughs, where he ministered for almost 4 years.

During his youth work he married Freeda Mae Lillard, and they have one son, Danny Lee May.

After Brother May finished the youth work, he went to Bauxite, Ark., to pastor. He was ordained Aug. 3, 1943. Following his ordination he moved to Nettleton to serve as pastor for 2 years. He resigned the Nettleton church to do evangelistic work in Georgia 2 years under Rev. A. V. Beaube, state overseer. He then moved back to the great State of Arkansas to pastor the good people of Warren one year; then to Burdette, Ark. to spend 2 years with the fine people there.

Resigning the work at Burdette, he went back to Georgia to accept the pastorate at Monroe church, where he is at present. The church is prospering under his leadership. They are hopeful of carrying out a new building project in the near future.

charmed her, but she actually forgot her mission for the moment, ran into the city, and saith to the men, "Come, see a man which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?" Read John 4:1-29. Did He attract her? Yes, and she was so excited that her words drew others just to see Him.

There was much attraction on the mount when He taught His disciples and followers the Beatitudes and preached the greatest sermon ever preached. There was another great attraction in the transfiguration. His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was as white as the light. And behold there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with Him. Peter rose up, no doubt feeling the glory from heaven, and said, "It is good for us to be here; if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias." He did not wish to glorify himself, but only Jesus, Moses, and Elias. We need this attitude in all

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# Missions . . .

J. H. WALKER, SR.,  
Executive Missions  
Secretary

## NEWS LETTER

### To All Certificated Workers, Full Gospel Church of God SOUTHERN AFRICA

Dear beloved Fellow Workers:

May His peace, love, and grace be multiplied unto you.

Christ is the answer to the broken hearts, broken lives, broken homes, to racial strife, and political problems. What South Africa needs is what Christ offers. The human heart needs Christ. Let us, as His co-workers, take Him to them while it is the acceptable time. I know you are doing your best, for Christ is depending on your faithfulness.

In June I wrote you (in Afrikaans) from Cape Town. From there I went to Keimoes, where Reverend and Sister J. J. Badenhorst are certainly doing a great work for the Master. Nightly, the church was packed to capacity, many being saved and others healed. One little fellow of five years had club feet. His feet turned straight in my hands as I was praying for him. We went to Upington, where Brother Badenhorst started a work. Since he took the work in the north-western Cape, the work has grown by leaps and bounds. They have bought a hall at Upington. During my three days' meetings, the place was overcrowded nightly. Again many were saved and others healed. I understand a young girl born deaf and dumb was healed. Praise the Lord! This unprecedented revival in Upington was the result of the beautiful spirit of co-operation.

Rev. Blumeris of the Christian Brethren and his members stood with us. God bless them. Brother Kuhn, a very able and sincere minister of God, united with the church there. I am sure he will be a great blessing to our church. Brother Badenhorst has two able local workers assisting him, Brother Fourie in Keimoes and Brother Vrey in Upington. Our dear Brother Johannes Maree had a mortgage bond of 1,300 pounds on the Upington church. That Saturday morning he and the dear sister came to me, took me into their car and said they had decided to write the entire bond off. God bless our dear Brother and Sister Maree for this magnanimous gift of love.

My next stop was Kimberley. I was met at the airport by Brothers Cronje, Wiese, and another dear brother. That evening the church was packed. Rev. Stemmet and most of his congregation came over from Douglas. Quite a number were saved and healed. One woman had a dead eye; life, as well as sight, was immediately restored. Rev. and Sister Cronje are doing a very splendid work for God in Kimberley.

Back to Johannesburg and my dear wife the following day. Brother and

Sister Percy Smit were at the Palmietfontein Airport to welcome me back after the three weeks' journey.

That Thursday I commenced my campaign at Newlands. It was rather cold, but, in spite of the weather, the attendance was very good. Again we saw the faithfulness of God in saving souls and healing bodies. Rev. and Sister W. J. de Kock are certainly doing a good work for God in Newlands. He is one of our promising ministers. May God bless them.

On June 26, Sister Saayman and I started on our tour through the northern territories. We went through Groblersdal to visit our children, Lizzy and her husband. There we found the assembly fasting and praying for money to buy a stand to build their own church. Whilst I was in Newlands, our dear Brother Schultz gave me a check for 200 pounds, telling me to use it to the best advantage for the Lord and His work. I telephoned him from Groblersdal and asked him if I could give this amount to the assembly. He said, "I gave you the money; do with it what you consider to be the best." I then told the Groblersdal assembly they could have the 200 pounds to buy a stand. I wish you could have seen the expressions of joy on their faces when they knew God had answered their prayer. May God bless your dear Brother Schultz and sons, and also the assembly at Groblersdal where Pastor and Sister W. Botha are laboring for the Lord.

We had a word of prayer with Pastor and Sister Foord at Potgietersrust—please pray for them—also with Rev. and Sister Boshoff at Pietersburg. Please pray for Sister Boshoff; the climate at Pietersburg certainly does not agree with our sister's health. We slept at Levubye Missions Station that night. The following day we went

visiting some of our assembly members at Louls Trichardt, and slept at Rev. and Sister C. M. L. Schimpe's that Friday night, enjoying the fellowship of all the old acquaintances.

Saturday, the 30th, brothers du Plooy, Schulk, and I had a meeting in the Bantu church at Louls Trichardt; settled all their difficulties; and stopped in and prayed with Pastor and Sister du Plessis.—J. H. Saayman, Moderator.

This is Part One of Three Parts

## ANNUAL CONVENTION, TOTONICAPAN, OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

Pentecost began in Totonican many years ago. This year the annual convention was brought back to the beginning city in a 3-day convention where 75 souls wept their way to Calvary and many workers were encouraged to press the battle harder.

**Mayor Visits Convention.** The Mayor and ex-Mayor of Totonican attended the convention and gave their testimony, admonishing the city of Totonican that it was high time the people forsook their wicked ways and sought the Lord. These words were highly appreciated, especially so in the light of the wake of Communism which is making inroads on the people in many cities of the world. These are perilous times, but our hearts are filled with praise to almighty God for men who sense the danger and admonish the people to forsake their wicked ways and seek the Lord.

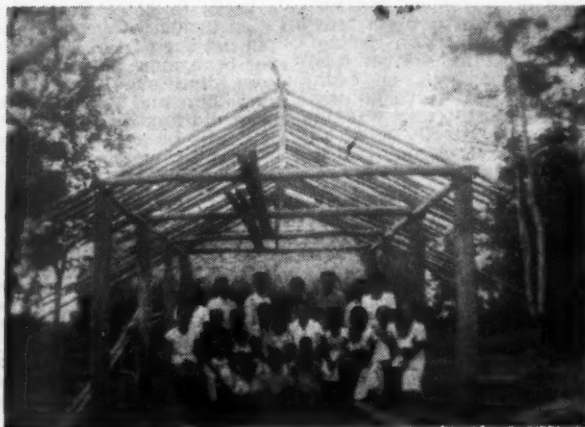
## WHAT \$27 CAN DO

Would you like to hear what \$27 can do? Read Brother Wayne McAfee's letter of thanks to Mr. Orville Andy Cooper, of Cincinnati, Ohio. See how \$27 can meet a need:

"Dear Brother Cooper:

"Again, greetings in Jesus' most precious name from Guatemala to you!

"Yesterday's mail brought your second contribution of \$27 through Brother Walker for the support of a native worker. It is with continuously grateful hearts that we receive your sacrificial gift for the spreading of the gospel here in Guatemala; we do want



New church building at Bumaay, Angadanan, Isabela.

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## BIBLE STUDENTS IN PORTUGAL



The above is a picture of the Bible students attending the fall term of Pastor T. D. Stahlberg's church in Lisbon. In the center you will see Brother T. D. Mooneyham, with his little daughter in his lap; next to him is Mrs. Stahlberg and Reverend Stahlberg; and fourth to the right is the pastor of the church. Reverend and Mrs. Stahlberg are doing an outstanding work in Portugal. Brother Mooneyham has been assisting in the Bible teaching while studying the Portuguese language before going to Angola.

you to know how we appreciate it.

"Since Brother Hargrave was here a few days ago, we have bought two lots in the Capital City, and plan to build immediately, until funds run out. The churches themselves are giving all they can, and we feel the approval and the blessing of the Lord upon these building programs. One of the churches that is building has had a mission vision since its organization some three years ago, and has sent workers from its congregation to the Pacific coast, directly south of the capital, to open up several new works in that section. Of course, a new work involves expense. There are rooms to rent in which to preach the gospel, benches to buy, pulpits to be made, and the support of the worker, if he leaves the capital to live there and, perhaps, doesn't have a job in the new town where the evangelistic effort is being made, nor, at first, a congregation to support him. Hence, the local church in Guatemala City has been sending these expenses of the building and a portion of the living expenses to its worker in these coastal towns.

"We praise the Lord for the mission vision this congregation has, and its burden, like yours, to see the gospel preached to others beyond the immediate view. However, being now in a building program, the funds of this church are, and will be, during the duration of the program, lower than usual, so far as its mission program is concerned. The brethren concerned spoke to Brother Hargrave and me about help for their native worker on the coast, for they don't want to close their missions while strengthen-

ing their home stakes. I felt the burden when they spoke to me, but did not have a favorable answer for them because of the lack of funds; but, when God's saints pray, as Abraham found out, Jehovah-jireh (the Lord) will provide. Gen. 22:14. Just in time, your check has come with the direct specification that it go for a native worker's partial support. I will send your gift to the pastor of the church in Guatemala City, instructing him that you have sent it for the native worker's support, and he will forward it to him. I will send him \$20 of the \$27, which will be help for two months, most probably.

"The other \$7 I am dividing between two workers nearer Quiche. One worker, who has just returned to his field from the annual conference of the Churches of God here in Guatemala, walked all the way from his home to the conference with his whole family, and then walked back. In all, I suppose they walked 100 miles, round trip. With his offerings toward the expense of the conference, and his contribution to the mission offering for the opening of new fields, he undoubtedly returned home penniless. Again, your help, so wonderfully timed, will be a major benefit to him, to help him bear the expenses for his family, since his Indian congregation can help him but little monetarily. The other worker has a long trip to make this month, and I am helping him \$3 on the expenses of the trip.

"Hence, you can see how your offerings to the mission field multiply, supplying urgent needs here and there in the work. Not only do they seem to multiply physically, but they do spiritually, and when the rewards are given in heaven, I know you will have a part for souls saved in three distinct sections of Guatemala because you gave, and the Lord's promise is that 'it shall be given unto you.'

"Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for your burden to help us as co-laborers together in preaching the gospel to the needy, and may the Lord repay you many, many fold.

"As you are giving, I know that you are not neglecting in prayer, but, as Paul wrote to the Corinthians when he was making a missionary journey, 'You must also help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks . . . for the blessing granted us in answer to many prayers,' 2 Cor. 1:11, RSV. So, don't fail to pray and keep the church in Cincinnati praying with us.

"May the Lord continue to generously bless you is our constant prayer."—Wayne and Charlotte McAfee, Missionaries to Guatemala.

## PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES AS THEY GO TO THE VARIOUS FIELDS OF LABOR

April, 1952—Reverend William Pospisil, his wife, and two children, leaving two children in America, sailed the high seas en route to India.

April, 1952—Reverend and Mrs. Thomas Pullin returned to their Guatemalan field, where they served nearly 40 years.

March, 1952—Reverend and Mrs. C. E. French and family, sick and tired in the service, but not of the service, returned for a much needed rest. Reverend and Mrs. James M. Beaty returned for a furlough after laboring in the Dominican Republic. Miss Odine Morse returned for furlough March 29 from Haiti.

## GREETINGS FROM THE HIGH SEAS

Brother and Sister Lorenzo Sottosanti, Sr., sailed from Argentina to Sicily to resume their missionary work. He sends their greetings from the ship: "The triumph of joy we owe to the Lord."

## SACRIFICE DOLLARS FOR JAMAICA

Angola Sends \$110 to Help Rebuild a Church in Jamaica, and \$70 More Coming

Sister Stark, in Angola, Africa, sent the \$100 she had saved to buy a refrigerator, and took up a collection from the poor little people there in Angola and received an amount of \$10. This seems a little, but think of

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# Do You Know?

By Rev. J. A. BROST



Brother Brost was born in 1919, near Medicine Hat, Alberta, to Christian parents. At a very young age he took up boxing as a career. He fought some professional fights, and had he accepted the contract offered him, he would have been in the line-up to fight Billy Conn. But he was under age, and his parents would not sign the contract. He was called into the Army in February, 1942, and sent to Camrose, Alta. He became the head boxing instructor at this camp. In August, 1942, he married Miss Ester Hauck, of Elkwater Lake, Alta. Less than two weeks later, he was sent overseas.

His testimony is, "At 10 minutes to 11, the 25th of August, 1942, on the ship Strathmore, I was gloriously saved. After the Lord had called me by name three times, the world and I were through forever. It was the next night that the Lord called me into the ministry, which, of course, was not fully begun until I returned to Canada from abroad, after serving in Sicily, Italy, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, and England. My wife was gloriously saved about two years after my experience, while I was still in Sicily.

"I returned home to my wife Dec. 11, 1945. I arrived in Medicine Hat in the evening, and that night fire swept our apartment, and many things that were near and dear to us were lost. Fourteen days after this we were en route to Bible School of the Evangelical United Brethren, with whom I ministered for several years as a student minister. Nevertheless, at heart, from the day I was saved, I was Church of God."

Brother Brost came into the Church of God under Rev. J. Andrew Rafferty, former overseer of the Church of God in Western Canada. Under his supervision he organized and built the Church at Estevan, Sask., and reorganized and built the church at Wawota, Sask., which church he is now pastoring.

Scripture Reading: John 7:14-17.

Our text is verse 17: "If any man will do his will, he shall know the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

It is evident to me that this portion of scripture has never had a more definite bearing on man than in the very time in which we are living. Never before in the history of the world were there more differences in thought, more man-made organizations, more shady philosophy, more crippling theology, more conglomeration of churches, more deceptiveness of sects, more perverting of governments and debauchery of leadership on every hand. I do not think that Christ could have used a greater theme than He did at this stage of

His ministry, in order to bring into light the thoughts of them who forever tried by every means possible, even by murder, to put their own idea across. If a person crossed their grain and was popular so that it hurt their theory, in their eyes such a person was not fit to live! Let me say right here that in many respects things have not changed for better.

**What did Christ have in mind?** It was always Christ's view to bring men and women into personal relationship with God, not according to His own theory, but according to the way the Godhead had planned. It was this plan and pattern that Christ was following, whether there was one Herod, or a dozen of them; whether he was foxy or a fox; whether there were Pharisees, or Sadducees, Jesus was not moved by their tricky questions or mud-slinging. Christ had a job to do, and He did it.

Friend, you and I have a job to do, and we had better do it. It is not for us to be driven about by every wind of doctrine. See Heb. 13:9. Jesus came into this world knowing what He was going to do and knowing where He was going to go. If you have been saved from a life of sin, in which you were not fit to meet Christ, you had better be careful where you walk and what you believe and teach.

Christ had only one thing in view—to bring about the will of the Father. The Father's will meant everything to my Lord, for He says, "I always do those things that please my Father." The Father, on numerous occasions, bore record that the Son did those things which pleased Him. He further said, "Hear him." You ask where. At the river Jordan, Matt. 3:13-17. God also bore record of Christ on the Mount of Transfiguration.

**What should be our mind on this?** The world in which we are living is such that if we listened to everyone, we surely would go insane. Many of the theories one hears will not fit into the Word of God. The conclusion then is, Leave them alone. You have the Bible, and the Bible says to "search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, they are they that testify of me," John 5:39. Again it says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," 2 Tim. 2:15. "Blessed is he that readeth and they that hear the Word of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand," Rev. 1:3. Also notice what James 1:5 says, "If any of you lack wisdom, let

him ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given you."

My brother, if you will keep the foregoing words in mind and obey them, you will never become a heretic. The reason so many people never come to know the Bible doctrines is because they never do God's will. They search the Scriptures with the idea of "what can I find that will back up my theory?" The result is that they never grow in grace, for they are not in grace, but in their own ideas. Any man that is not in Christ is in himself, and, therefore, a servant of the devil. Jesus said to the scribes, "You do err not knowing the scriptures."

I was saved on the ship Strathmore,



Mrs. J. A. BROST

on the Atlantic Ocean, and for a month and a half I did not meet one Christian, but I read the Word of God, seeking out His way, and not my way. It is true that I shed many tears in finding God's way, but, bless the Lord forever, here I am, and I know it works. Jesus said that it would, and I found it to be true. The Bible will stand when God has erased the sands of this old world, and it will stand when He has removed all things ever contaminated by sin. The Word of God has never changed, and Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do you know Him? "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." He said, "I am the truth!"



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it! It took them between six and seven months to raise \$10 for repairs on their church, and then when given an opportunity to help in Jamaica, in this one special offering they raised 300 angolories, which would be \$10 in American money.

We sincerely appreciate this whole-hearted cooperation our missionaries have given in the various fields. No one but the missionaries can understand what the actual need is under the circumstances, therefore, their hearts are touched and they are willing to sacrifice in order to help others. I hope this will be a lesson and a challenge to all of us that we, too, should be ready to respond to such a need as this.

Frankly, I believe God is going to touch the hearts of others to help these precious people in Angola for this sacrifice they have made. In fact, already I have received a letter from someone inquiring if Sister Stark needed a typewriter. They wanted to buy one for her; but she writes that she has had hers repaired and can still use it. She states, however, that Brother Martins is in need of one, and I am writing these people telling them that surely the Lord impressed them in the right way, because it is a special desire of Brother Martins' that he have a typewriter; but he is giving up his money to buy the typewriter in order to help the people in Jamaica. The person wanting to purchase the typewriter certainly was impressed of the Lord for this particular need. Do pray for our people in Angola that God will direct in this cause. They have the greatest of the work growing and already have calls in numbers of places. They are so thankful that Brother Mooneyham is in training and soon will be coming to them in Angola. Pray for them every day.

## CHRISTIAN ATTRACTION

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our works, and they will be attractive works, because Christ is directing them. The work of the Church in a general sense is an attractive program, of which Christ is the Head.

In Luke 19:1-10 we find Him with a powerful command to the little man in the sycamore tree. Was Zacchaeus attracted? Indeed, yes; he wanted to see Jesus. He was little of stature, and could not see Him for the press, so he climbed a tree. The first thing Jesus did when He came to the place was to make a personal friend of the little man by calling his name. Then He told him to make haste and come down for today He would abide in his house. Yes, he was attracted, charmed, and fascinated even so much that he said, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and four times the amount I have taken by false accusation." Did he become a Christian? Indeed, he did, and as they walked away together, the people murmured saying that He was gone to be the guest of a sinner. He is the sinner's friend; the only one the sinner really has. However, the thing

those people did not know was the transformation that had taken place in the little man's heart and life. They didn't know the great joy Zacchaeus had when he received Christ. There is wonderful attraction in this, besides the hundreds He healed, the multitudes He fed, and the dead He raised.

Too many of the people in this world are attracted by the things of the world. To some, a fine home, a fine automobile, or much money is their charm. These things are all right, and we have to have some of them to carry on; however, they should not be placed before Christ and His work. I am looking for the greatest and most blessed event about which I know. When He shall step out on the clouds of glory and sound the great trumpet, and the dead in Christ begin to rise, we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the air. This is the "attraction" for which I am waiting. Amen.

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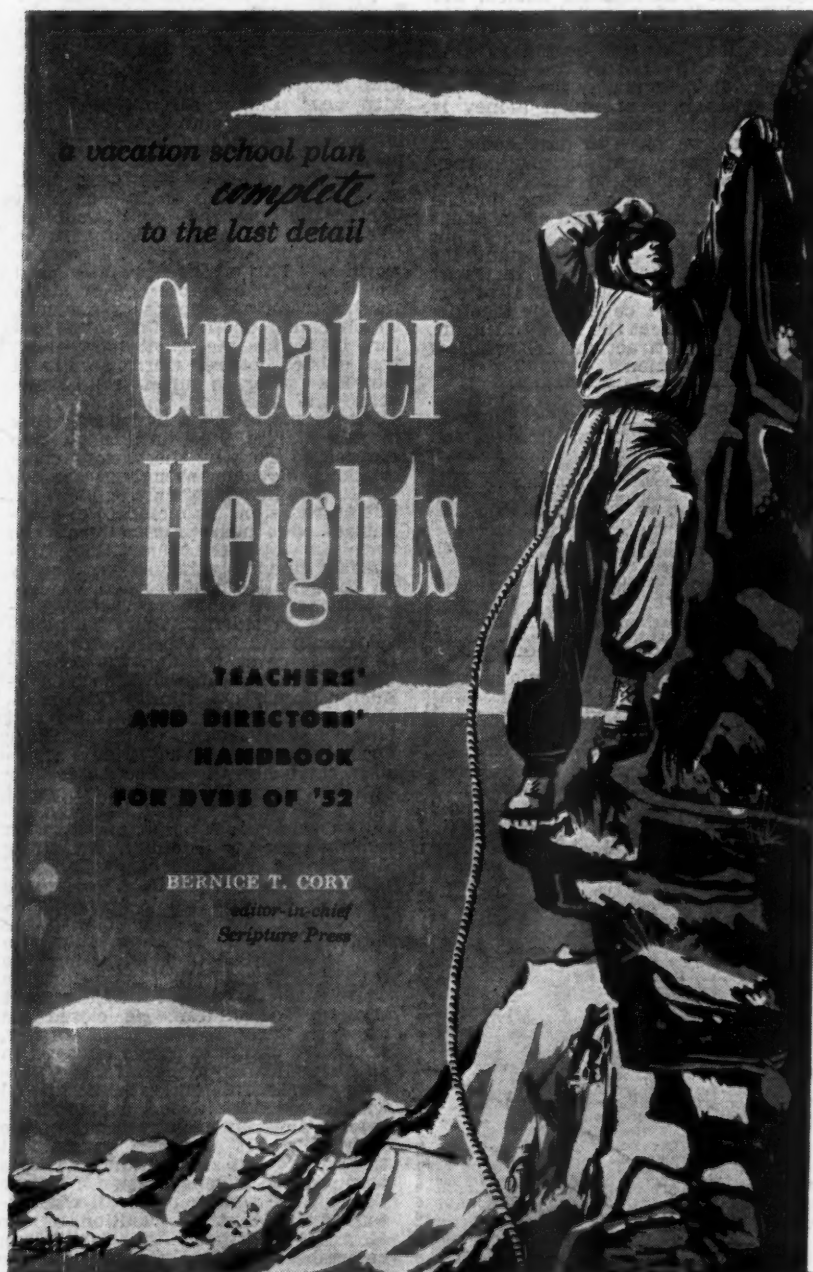
drunk with wine . . . but be filled with the Spirit." His was, indeed, a challenging, informative message.

The last afternoon speaker was Dr. Frank R. Birch, Chairman, N. A. E. commission on Foreign Missions. He spoke on the subject "The Holy Spirit and World Missions"; scripture, "Ye shall receive power . . . and ye shall be witnesses." Doctor Birch stirred our hearts as only a man could who has had over a quarter of a century's experience in mission work. At 8:35 p. m., Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, Chairman, N. A. E. Commission on International Cooperation, preached on the subject "The Spirit in the World Through the Church"; scripture, "Go ye into all the world . . ." This princely preacher used the entire 17th chapter of St. John for his inspiring, expository message, which called upon us for united effort in that same spirit of oneness that existed between Christ Jesus and God His Father, in our effort to evangelize the world.

Friday morning, as had been every morning, from 9:00 until noon was devoted to work by the various commissions in rooms throughout the hotel. It was, indeed, a time of pleasure, but no vacation, for members of committees were busy practically all the time. In fact, the committees frequently dined together so as to carry on their work uninterrupted.

Much credit is due Dr. J. C. McPheeters, President, Asbury Theological Seminary, for keeping the spirit of prayer going through the convention, in the devotionals which he conducted from 11:15 a. m. to 12:15 p. m. My heart was strangely warmed and blessed by attending them. Dr. Billy Graham spoke in the Friday afternoon service on the subject "The Holy Spirit in Revival"; scripture, "Born of water and of the Spirit." Although Dr. Billy Graham is a pulpit master with a pronounced personality, the thing that moved the audience which virtually packed out the Gold Room, was the humility and whole-hearted sincerity with which he dealt with the subject. He let us know that the church is utterly dependent on the Holy Spirit, and the hope for the world is the working of the Holy Spirit through the church. He closed his message with a session of prayer, which I am sure everyone engaged in and rededicated himself to the purpose of exerting greater effort in soul winning. It was, indeed, a heart-melting time, under the leading of the Holy Spirit. It appeared to me that there were but few, if any, dry eyes throughout the congregation. I believe I speak the sentiment of all who attended the tenth convention of the N. A. E. when I say that I will long remember and deeply appreciate the reverence and respect shown the Holy Spirit and His various office works in the church by the non-Pentecostal, as well as Pentecostal, who attended the record-breaking decennial convention. I also join my fellow members of N. A. E. in praying for Doctor Paul S. Reese, who succeeded Dr. Frederick Curtis Fowler as President of the N. A. E.

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